

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)  
(Large Entity)**

Docket No.  
VAS.0002US

In Re Application Of: **Karl-Lutz Lauterjung**

Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
08/878,908	June 19, 1997	Paul B. Prebilic	21906	3738	8837

Invention: **Prosthetic Repair of Body Passages**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of March 3, 2006 above-identified application.  
*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

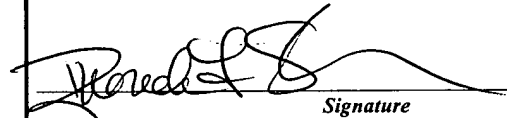
- One month
- Two months
- Three months
- Four months
- Five months

from: June 3, 2006 until: July 3, 2006  
*Date* *Date*

The fee for the extension of time is **\$120** and is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **20-1504**
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **20-1504**
- Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

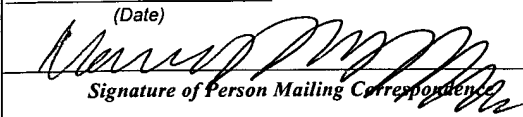
**WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.**

  
*Signature*

Dated: **July 3, 2006**

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